# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CELEBRATING THE PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS OF PENNSYLVA-NIA'S 7TH DISTRICT

#### HON. JOE SESTAK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 3, 2008

Mr. SESTAK. Madam Speaker, since then Senator John F. Kennedy established the Peace Corps in 1961, more than 190,000 U.S. citizens from all walks of life have served their country in the cause of peace by living and working side by side with our friends in 139 developing countries around the world. Our volunteers, representing the rich diversity of the American people, have helped those in need, promoted cross-cultural understanding, and created bonds of friendship that will last a lifetime.

I rise today to honor these brave volunteers and to commemorate this as National Peace Corps Week, marking the 47th Anniversary of the Peace Corps on March 1, 2008.

As of September 2007, 8,079 Peace Corps volunteers are currently at 68 posts serving 74 countries, a 37-year high in program participation. Additionally, the Peace Corps has seen an increase in minority recruitment, with minorities now comprising 17 percent of all volunteers. The volunteers have made significant and lasting global contributions in agriculture, business development, information technology, education, health and HIV/AIDS, youth, and the environment. Returned volunteers often use the skills they acquire abroad to pursue careers in the U.S. Congress, the Executive branch, and the Foreign Service.

I am proud to recognize the 16 volunteers from the 7th District of Pennsylvania who are currently serving their country and the world as Peace Corps volunteers and ask unanimous consent that their names be submitted for the record: Justin M. Berman, Eric B. Geer, Tiffany I. Green, Katharine C. Heaton, Eli R. Heller, Bibi R. Khan, Thomas R. Kuklinski, John C. Langdon, James M. Lasak, Richard J. Liuzzi, John Paul Nicewinter, John F. Reilly, Chrystal L. Smith, Laura M. Urbanski, Maria E. Velez, and Sarah M. Young.

I ask my colleagues to join me in commemorating National Peace Corps Week and to celebrate all our dedicated volunteers' important work. The spirit of service and opportunity they carry with them will help create a safer, brighter future for all.

Thank you to our Peace Corps volunteers.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 3, 2008

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, on February 28, 2008 I stepped away from the floor and accidentally missed rollcall 86. Had I been

present, I would have voted "yea," in strong support of H.R. 3936, the bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 116 Helen Highway in Cleveland, Georgia, as the Sgt. Jason Harkins Post Office Building.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF DR. M. ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

#### HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 3, 2008

Mr. RANGEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of Dr. M. Elizabeth Carnegie, a champion of the cause of Black nurses, who passed away on February 20, 2008.

Born on April 19, 1916 in Baltimore Maryland, Dr. Carnegie received her initial nursing education through a diploma program. However, she went on to obtain her B.A. from West Virginia State College, and M.A. from Syracuse University, and a D.P.A. from New York University.

Some of Dr. Carnegie's major accomplishments include working on the editorial staff of the American Journal of Nursing, including being editor of nursing research during her last 5 years The third edition of her award winning book, the Path We Tread: Blacks in Nursing Worldwide, 1834-1994, has been published by the National League for Nursing, New York, and continues to be a critical source of the history of Blacks in nursing. In addition, she has had six honorary doctoral degrees bestowed upon her and held eight distinguished professorships and two endowed chairs at leading universities throughout the country The M. Elizabeth Carnegie Endowed Chair in Nursing Health Disparities has been established in the Howard University Division

Dr. Carnegie's affiliations include being past national officer of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority: chairperson emerita, American Nurses' Association Minority Fellowship Program Advisory Committee, board member. Nurses' Educational Funds: past president. American Academy of Nursing; member. National Black Nurses' Association: member. American Association for the History of Nursing. and past board member. Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. Dr. Carnegie was inducted into the Hail of Fame of the American Nurses' Association in June 2000.

Dr. Carnegie has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards, including the ANA Mary Mahoney Award; American Academy of Nursing Legend Award; and the Lillian D. Wald Award, New York Visiting Nurses Service.

Throughout her life, Dr. Carnegie fought against injustice and prejudice in the nursing profession, wherever she found it. She worked vigorously to ensure educational opportunites for Black nurses. When the Florida State Nurses' Association, FSNA, finally admitted

blacks, Dr. Carnegie became a member of the board without the full rights of board membership. Her ongoing personality and determination to be heard led the board to grant her full rights within the FSNA. She was not a major figure in Black history, and most people do not know about her contributions, yet she had an indelible impact on the world. Today we pay tribute to the legacy she leaves behind in the field of nursing.

THE 47TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PEACE CORPS

### HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, March 3, 2008

Mr. GINGREY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 47th anniversary of the Peace Corps, which occurred on Saturday, March 1.

Since its establishment in 1961, more than 190,000 United States citizens have served our Nation in the cause of peace by living and working in 139 developing countries, worldwide. Coming from all walks of life, these public servants have furthered the message of peace and freedom as they developed long-lasting relationships and good-will with nations around the world.

Madam Speaker, I would specifically like to recognize the efforts of individuals of Georgia's 11th District, who are currently serving with the Peace Corps. I want to personally thank David Egetter, who is furthering the message of peace in Honduras, Hannah Garland, who is serving in Micronesia, Wilbert Newhall, serving in Tanzania, Katy Nicholson, serving in Albania, and Davin Stogner, serving in Vanuatu.

Madam Speaker, I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in thanking all of our Nation's eight thousand plus Peace Corps volunteers for their work to advance the ideals upon which our great Nation was founded.

HONORING THEODORE "TED" SCHWARTZ AND JOHN W. ROWE UPON RECEIVING THE ILLINOIS HOLOCAUST MUSEUM AND EDU-CATION CENTER'S 2008 HUMANI-TARIAN AWARD

## HON. RAHM EMANUEL

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 3, 2008

Mr. EMANUEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the recipients of the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center's 2008 Humanitarian Award: Mr. Theodore "Ted" Schwartz, and Mr. John W. Rowe. This award recognizes their civic leadership and outstanding contributions to the Jewish community.

Mr. Rowe is an active leader in his community and deeply involved with Chicago-area

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